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1. This communication is responsive to February 6, 2004 and	March 1, 2004.	
2. The allowed claim(s) is/are <u>1-7</u> .		
3. The drawings filed on are accepted by the Examiner	.	
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An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

In the specification, pages 1 and 14, lines 1 and 2, the title has been changed to

- - Method for controlling an evaporative light scattering detector which is coupled to a liquid chromatography column - -

to correct a scanning error in which a number of letters were inadvertently deleted.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: Gangloff (U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2003/0086092) and Chervet (U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0072126) are considered to be the closest art because they disclose an evaporative light scattering detector and a valve. The case has been allowed because the recited combination of steps would not have been obvious from Gangloff (U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2003/0086092) and Chervet (U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0072126).

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication should be directed to E. Therkom at telephone number (571) 272-1149. The official fax number is (703) 872-9306.

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